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TO THE SECRETARY FM HARTMAN

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SUBJECT: ACTION MEMORANDUM: MACEACHEN REPLACED BY JAMIESON
IN CANADIAN CABINET SHUFFLE (S/S 7619457)

1. PROBLEM:

AMONG A NUMBER OF CHANGES ANNOUNCED LATE SEPTEMBER 14 IN A
MAJOR REVISION OF THE CANADIAN CABINET, ALLAN MACEACHEN WAS
REPLACED AS SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS BY
DONALD JAMIESON, PREVIOUSLY MINISTER OF INDUSTRY, TRADE AND
COMMERCE. IN VIEW OF YOUR CLOSE RELATIONSHIP WITH
MACEACHEN AND THE CONTINUING IMPORTANCE OF EFFECTIVE
RELATIONS WITH CANADA, IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR YOU TO SEND
MESSAGES ON THE OCCASION TO BOTH MINISTERS.

2. BACKGROUND:

IN THE SHIFT, MACEACHEN RESUMES RESPONSIBILITIES HE PREVI-
OUSLY HELD AS PRESIDENT OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL AND GOVERNMENT
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LEADER IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS, DUTIES HE CARRIED OUT WITH

GREAT SKILL. WE UNDERSTAND HE SOUGHT TO BE NAMED DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AS WELL, BUT TRUDEAU STOPPED SHORT OF THIS,

ANNOUNCING ONLY THAT MACEACHEN WOULD SERVE AS ACTING PRIME MINISTER WHEN TRUDEAU IS AWAY.

3. JAMIESON IS A BROADCASTER AND BUSINESSMAN WHO AS MINISTER OF INDUSTRY, TRADE AND COMMERCE PROVED TO BE TOUGH MINDED BUT PRAGMATIC AND WELL AWARE OF THE IMPORTANCE TO CANADA OF GOOD ECONOMIC RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES. DURING YOUR VISIT TO OTTAWA IN OCTOBER 1975 YOU MET JAMIESON AT DINNER AND HE DISCUSSED CANADIAN ECONOMIC POLICY DURING THE SESSION YOU HAD WITH CANADIAN CABINET MEMBERS.

4. SOME DAYS AGO MACEACHEN ASKED TO MEET WITH YOU IN NEW YORK DURING THE LAST WEEK OF SEPTEMBER. WE EXPECT JAMIESON WILL TAKE MACEACHEN'S PLACE AT THE UNGA AND MAY RENEW THE REQUEST FOR A MEETING, BUT WE CANNOT YET BE SURE. SUCH A MEETING WOULD BE VALUABLE IN DEVELOPING A PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH JAMIESON EARLY-ON.

5. OUR PROPOSED MESSAGES FROM YOU BELOW (1) UNDERLINE FOR MACEACHEN THE VALUE YOU PLACE ON THE CLOSE PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIP YOU ENJOYED AND (2) CONGRATULATE JAMIESON AND EXPRESS YOUR WISH TO WORK CLOSELY WITH HIM.

6. RECOMMENDATION:

THAT YOU APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE TRANSMISSION OF THE FOLLOWING MESSAGES TO MINISTERS MACEACHEN AND JAMIESON.

APPROVE:

DISAPPROVE:

MESSAGE TO MACEACHEN--BEGIN TEXT

DEAR ALLAN:
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I MUST SAY I GREETED THE NEWS OF THE RECENT CHANGE IN YOUR PUBLIC RESPONSIBILITIES WITH MIXED EMOTIONS. I KNOW, OF COURSE, THAT CANADA WILL BE EXTREMELY WELL SERVED AS YOU TAKE ON RESPONSIBILITY TO SERVE AS ACTING PRIME MINISTER IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S ABSENCE AND AS PRESIDENT OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL AND GOVERNMENT LEADER IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS. YET I REGRET THAT WE WILL NOT BE WORKING SO

CLOSELY TOGETHER AS BEFORE IN ADVANCING THE MUTUALITY OF
INTERESTS IN OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS AND IN PROMOTING THE
MANY BROAD INTERNATIONAL OBJECTIVES OUR COUNTRIES SHARE.
I HAVE ENJOYED AND VALUED IMMENSELY OUR PERSONAL AND

PROFESSIONAL RELATIONS AS SECRETARIES OF STATE AND LOOK
FORWARD TO THE SAME CLOSE COOPERATION WITH YOUR SUCCESSOR,
DONALD JAMIESON.

I HOPE THAT YOU AND I WILL FIND OPPORTUNITIES TO
MAINTAIN PERSONAL COMMUNICATION IN YOUR NEW POSITION.

WARM REGARDS,

HENRY A. KISSINGER -- END TEXT.

MESSAGE TO JAMIESON--BEGIN TEXT

DEAR MR. MINISTER:

MAY I CONGRATULATE YOU ON RECEIVING THE EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
PORTFOLIO IN THE CANADIAN CABINET. I REMEMBER WELL OUR
DISCUSSION, WHEN I WAS IN OTTAWA LAST OCTOBER, OF
CANADIAN ECONOMIC POLICIES AND WAGE AND PRICE RESTRAINTS.
I WELCOMED YOUR ASSURANCES AT THE TIME THAT CANADA WISHES
TO CONTINUE TO WORK CLOSELY WITH THE UNITED STATES AND TO
ASSURE THAT THE MINOR IRRITANTS THAT WE SOMETIMES FACE
WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH THE VERY MANY BENEFITS OUR RELA-
TIONSHIP BRINGS TO BOTH COUNTRIES.

NO COUNTRY IS MORE IMPORTANT TO THE UNITED STATES THAN
CANADA, BOTH IN TERMS OF OUR DOMESTIC INTERESTS AND OUR
INTERNATIONAL GOALS. WITH NO OTHER COUNTRY DO WE ENJOY
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SO MANY ESSENTIAL INTER-RELATIONSHIPS, COMMON VALUES AND
SHARED ASPIRATIONS. I HAVE VALUED THE FRANK AND INFORMAL
RELATIONSHIP THAT ALLAN MACEACHEN AND I ENJOYED IN PURSU-
ING OUR BILATERAL RELATIONS AND LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING
CLOSELY WITH YOU IN THIS SAME SPIRIT.

WARM REGARDS,

HENRY A. KISSINGER -- END TEXT.

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